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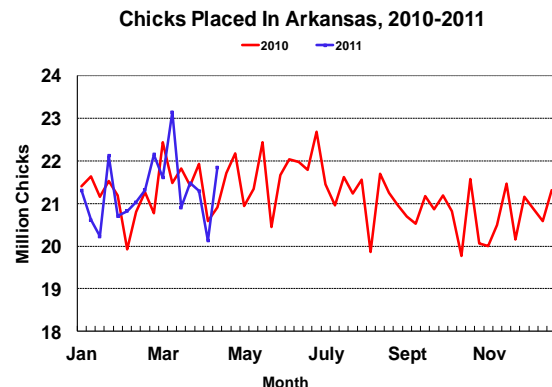
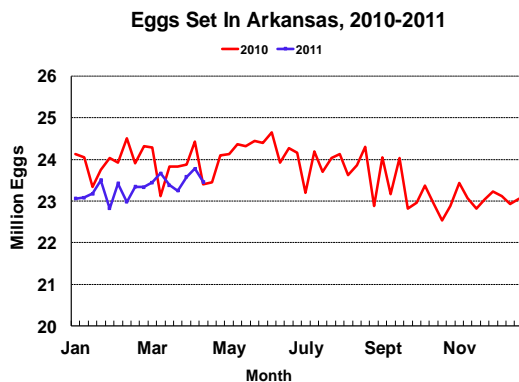


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Arkansas Chick Placements Up 4 Percent from Last Year

Broiler-type chicks placed for meat production in Arkansas were 21.8 million during the week ending April 16, 2011. Placements were up 4 percent from the comparable week in 2010 and up 9 percent from the previous week.

Arkansas hatcheries set 23.5 million broiler-type eggs during the week ending April 16, 2011, up slightly from the same period last year but down 1 percent from the previous week.



Broiler Eggs Set and Chicks Placed in 19 Major States by Week, March 19, 2011 - April 16, 2011

State	Eggs Set					Chicks Placed				
	Week Ending					Week Ending				
	19-Mar	26-Mar	2-Apr	9-Apr	16-Apr	19-Mar	26-Mar	2-Apr	9-Apr	16-Apr
Alabama	30,208	31,067	1,000 eggs			20,592	21,440	1,000 chicks		
Arkansas	23,384	23,252	23,580	23,776	23,464	20,908	21,478	21,296	20,131	21,847
Delaware	3,888	3,882	3,892	3,858	3,902	4,626	4,824	5,245	4,325	4,717
Florida	1,360	1,360	1,360	1,360	1,344	1,249	1,270	1,296	1,243	1,243
Georgia	33,153	32,819	33,876	33,408	33,304	28,305	27,603	28,221	27,898	27,852
Kentucky	7,763	7,965	7,848	7,862	7,651	6,475	6,766	5,746	6,255	6,893
Louisiana	3,440	3,471	3,288	3,440	3,440	3,036	3,227	3,028	3,005	3,064
Maryland	7,654	7,741	7,730	7,747	7,749	6,533	6,041	5,547	6,226	6,237
Mississippi	19,459	19,549	19,380	19,413	19,520	16,447	16,528	16,560	16,967	17,133
N. Carolina	20,494	20,276	19,995	20,495	20,584	15,819	15,782	15,475	16,753	15,874
Oklahoma	7,270	7,268	7,006	7,310	7,219	4,131	4,837	5,206	5,531	4,199
Pennsylvania	3,914	3,697	3,546	3,510	3,755	3,032	3,206	3,229	3,117	2,990
S. Carolina	5,439	5,746	5,613	5,575	5,586	4,010	4,916	4,991	4,375	5,069
Texas	15,166	14,977	15,490	15,528	15,446	13,007	13,170	12,976	12,894	12,608
Virginia	6,318	6,590	6,593	6,315	6,040	4,966	5,402	5,439	5,316	5,532
CA,MO,TN & WV	19,653	19,722	18,625	19,050	19,067	17,429	17,362	17,701	17,199	16,704
19 State Total	208,563	209,382	208,400	209,191	209,335	170,565	173,852	172,783	172,691	173,788
Prev. Year Total	207,915	205,735	204,921	209,257	206,893	170,235	169,700	168,989	171,651	169,539
% of Prev. Year	100	102	102	100	101	100	102	102	101	103

Revisions made to the previous five-week's data during the current week are published in this report.

Broiler-Type Eggs Set Up 1 Percent

Commercial hatcheries in the 19 State weekly program set 209 million eggs in incubators during the week ending April 16, 2011. This was up 1 percent from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 84 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

Broiler-Type Chicks Placed Up 3 Percent

Broiler growers in the 19 State weekly program placed 174 million chicks for meat production during the week ending April 16, 2011. Placements were up 3 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from January 2, 2011 through April 16, 2011 were 2.55 billion, up 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.